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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, LeRoy Nieman has been called to eternal life by the wisdom of God at the age of 91; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago City Council has been informed of his passing by Alderman Edward M. Burke; and

WHEREAS, A gifted American artist, LeRoy Nieman was the loving and devoted husband of Janet; and

WHEREAS, LeRoy Nieman was best known for his portraits of the sports world, where he captured both the action and emotion of athletics with his bold brush strokes; and

WHEREAS, A native of Minnesota, LeRoy Nieman was named the official artist for three Olympic Games; and

WHEREAS, LeRoy Nieman served with the U.S. Army during World War II before attending Chicago's prestigious School of the Art Institute; and

WHEREAS, LeRoy Nieman was an instructor at the School of the Art Institute before becoming a contributing artist for *Playboy* magazine; and

WHEREAS, LeRoy Nieman's artistic imagery proved particularly powerful in boxing, especially with regard to the fight posters and program covers for the infamous Muhammad Ali-Joe Frazier contest; and

WHEREAS, LeRoy Nieman will be remembered for both his artistic ability and his journalistic talent; and

WHEREAS, To his beloved family, LeRoy Nieman imparts a legacy of faithfulness, service and dignity; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and the members of the Chicago City Council, assembled this twenty-seventh day of June, 2012, do hereby commemorate LeRoy Nieman for his grace-filled life and do hereby express our condolences to his family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of LeRoy Nieman.

Alderman - 14th Ward